

the best thing about America: our freedom. As President Bush said in his State of the Union Address, we all need to donate our time to promote democracy all over the world, and this contest is a good way for young people to get involved. I congratulate the students who participated in this year's contest, and I encourage them to continue to be active citizens of this great democracy.

METHAMPHETAMINE

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, methamphetamine use continues to be a chronic problem in the United States and especially in the Central Valley of California. This product, better known as "Meth," is produced by a very intricate cooking process that uses a number of chemicals like red phosphorus, acetone and pseudoephedrine. All of the chemicals that are used in the cooking process are easily obtained over-the-counter at almost any store in the United States. While most of the chemicals in the cooking process can be substituted with similar products, pseudoephedrine is the one chemical that is required to make Meth.

Over the last couple of years, the federal government working in cooperation with narcotics agents and the private sector have tightened the control of pseudoephedrine in the United States. Today, pseudoephedrine can only be purchased in small quantity bottles or blister packs.

However, last year, investigators in the Central Valley found several very large 23,000 pill-count bottles of pseudoephedrine tablets at Meth labs. Unfortunately, these bottles were found with English and French words on the labels. Because of this, as well as statements from confidential sources, investigators believe much of the bulk pseudoephedrine comes from French-speaking areas of Canada. And, it is now known that criminal organizations are using tractor-trailers to haul pseudoephedrine pills from Canada to the United States.

Currently, Canada lacks a comprehensive legislative framework for addressing the pseudoephedrine trafficking problem. Without cooperation from Canadian authorities, the illicit diversion of pseudoephedrine tablets will continue unabated and the pills will continue to find their way to ready meth-producing markets in the Central Valley.

Today I introduced a bill that will specifically address this problem. This legislation will urge President Bush to open a dialogue with the Canadian Government to discuss the large influx of pseudoephedrine from Canada.

TRIBUTE TO WILMA DELANEY

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Wilma Delaney for her exemplary personal accomplishments and exceptional professional achievements as she prepares to retire as Vice President of Federal and State

Government Affairs for The Dow Chemical Company.

A woman of incredible talent and energy, Wilma joined Dow in 1975 as an analytical chemist at company headquarters in Midland, Michigan. After holding several positions in Dow laboratories, she began her rise through the management ranks. Throughout her career, Wilma has demonstrated both an unparalleled proficiency in the technical know-how that began with her job as a "bench" scientist and the diplomatic finesse that has been a key to her success as a senior executive at Dow.

Wilma has held key leadership positions with Dow since early in her career, including Vice President of Environmental and Regulatory Issues. Her work has been a major force in securing Dow's reputation as a company on the cutting edge of environmental improvements. Moreover, Wilma's leadership of the company's efforts to address minority workplace issues earned her the 2000 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Recognition Award for exemplifying Dr. King's dream to galvanize diverse groups of people to achieve a common goal.

In addition to Wilma's professional success, she has freely given her time and talents to enhance those less fortunate by doing charitable work with various community and volunteer organizations. Her strong work ethic and kind heart have certainly benefitted the entire community and many lives are indeed better for her efforts. Her husband, Jack, and their five children, also should be commended for their unselfish support of Wilma's endeavors.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Wilma Delaney for applying the right elements of hard work, enterprising spirit and contagious enthusiasm to her career and her community. I am confident that Wilma's legacy will endure at Dow and beyond for many years and that she will continue to discover even more ways to improve the world around her.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO SEQUOIA AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, every year the City of Redwood City, California, recognizes three of its citizens for outstanding volunteer work in the community with the Sequoia Award. This prestigious award is given to one student, one non-student citizen and one business each year in recognition of their outstanding service. This year's award winners are Emilia Cerrillo, a student at Menlo-Atherton High School, Vincent Truscelli, a Redwood City resident for over fifty years, and Electronic Arts, the world's largest creator of interactive electronic software.

Mr. Speaker, all of this year's award winners are extraordinary citizens and are truly deserving of recognition. I would like to share with my colleagues a brief review of each Sequoia Award winner and highlight their achievements.

Ms. Emilia Cerrillo, a senior at Menlo-Atherton High School, has been described as a "dynamo." An excellent student and musician, she also serves as Senior Class Vice-Presi-

dent and has been involved in the planning of several school events, including a candlelight vigil to commemorate the victims of the tragic events of September 11th, the freshman orientation and the homecoming dance.

Emilia Cerrillo was also responsible for setting critical school policies. As a student representative to the Shared Decision-Making Site Council, Emilia worked with administrators, faculty, staff, parents and other students to ensure that all necessary voices were heard while the group formulated school policies. Emilia has also had a major role in the Compass Success program and served as a mentor and role model to encourage other minority students to stay in honors classes.

Emilia's success has not been confined to the halls of Menlo-Atherton High School. As a participant in the Amigos de Las Americas program in Brazil, she met with health workers and participated in important infrastructure building in Brazil. Emilia was also a participant in the Global Visionaries program in Guatemala where she helped to build a house with the Common Hope Project.

Emilia's achievements are just the beginning of what we can expect from this extraordinary talented and dedicated student. As the student recipient of the Sequoia Award, she has been awarded a \$5,000 scholarship.

Mr. Speaker, the second Sequoia Award winner is Mr. Vincent Truscelli. A lifelong resident of California, Vincent has lived in Redwood City for the past 50 years and has been involved with numerous community organizations. He was recently awarded an Honorary Life Membership by the Roosevelt School's Parent Teacher Association for his outstanding volunteer work with the school's annual carnival and for his dedication in introducing young students to baseball, basketball and track. Vincent was also the one of the first volunteer lunch yard supervisors at Roosevelt, allowing the teachers of the school to have a real lunch break, while children played after lunch.

Vincent Truscelli has also been involved in numerous organizations including the YMCA, the St. Pius Church Men's Club and the Redwood City Transportation Committee, where he received the Distinguished Service Award for his proposal on how to lay out the bus routes in Redwood City.

Vincent is best known for producing large-scale fund raising dinners. He and his wife have cooked for the Native Daughters of the Golden West Plaque Program, the Rotary Club's Irish night, Pets in Need, The American Legion, the Sons of Italy, the Redwood City Parks, Recreation and Community Service Department, and the Red Morton Fund raising project.

Mr. Truscelli has been a member of numerous clubs and organizations that aid the community including the AARP, the American Legion, the Kiwanis Club, the Lions Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Fun After Fifty Club, Sons of Italy, and many more. He was also the Chairman of the Veteran's Memorial Senior Center Advisory Board and still serves on its board. Vincent was also the Bingo Manager for the Senior Center, which funds the Senior Center's nutrition program, computer classes and their exercise program. He also donates his time to assist needy senior citizens with home repairs. Vincent has continuously given selflessly of himself for many years and is a deserving recipient of the Sequoia Award.